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SUBJECT:SECRETARY MORTON'S SCHEDULE IN JAPAN

ATTN: DONALD B. WESTMORE, EMBASSY CONTROL OFFICER FOR
SECRETARY MORTON

PLEASE PASS TO BARBARA B. BURNS ASAP

1. MR. TIM AUSTIN, ASSISTANT TO SECRETARY MORTON, UNDER-
STANDS MR. FRANK ICKARD, PRESIDENT OF AMERICAN PETROLEUM
INSTITUTE, RECEIVED CABLE FROM MR. WALLY SEWARD,API,
INDICATING PRIME MINISTER CONCERNED ABOUT SECRETARY MORTON'S
REGRETS NOT ABLE ATTEND MAY 12 DINNER WHICH SECRETARY
WOULD BE GUEST OF HONOR.

2. IN DISCUSSIONS MS. BURNS HAD WITH JAPANESE EMBASSY
OFFICIALS PRIOR LEAVING WASHINGTON, APPEARED JAPANESE UNDER-
STOOD TIGHT SCHEDULING AND NEED FOR SECRETARY MORTON DEPART
TOKYO FOR PRC DURING AFTERNOON MAY 12. FOR THIS REASON
SECRETARY MORTON'S NEED TO REGRET DINNER INVITATION
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APPEARED TO PRESENT NO PROBLEM.

3. WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE EMBASSY DISCUSSING MATTER WITH

MS. BURNS AND UNLESS SOME OTHER APPROACH DEEMED ADVISABLE,
EXPLAIN TO JAPANESE THAT SCHEDULE FOR PEKING CANNOT BE
CHANGED - TOO MUCH AS GONE INTO WORKING OUT THIS LEG OF
SCHEDULE. IN ADDITION, PLEASE EXPLAIN
SECRETARY MORTON IS LOOKING FORWARD SEEING PRIME MINISTER
AT OPENING SESSION NINTH WORLD PETROLEUM CONGRESS.

4. SECRETARY MORTON MUCH APPRECIATES EMBASSY ASSISTANCE
IN MAKING CERTAIN THAT JAPANESE UNDERSTAND PROBLEM AND
WILL FOLLOW EMBASSY ADVICE ON SOLUTION.

5. FOR LARRY FOX: JUDY ACCEPTED AT HARVARD. KISSINGER

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